

THE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION IN WHICH AN EXCLUSIVE
PROPERTY OR PRIVILEGE IS CLAIMED ARE DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:

- 5 1. An apparatus for recording global positioning system co-ordinates of components of a utility, comprising:
a portable controller having a memory;
a global positioning system (GPS) co-ordinate device
coupled to the controller, the GPS co-ordinate device
10 dynamically providing GPS co-ordinates to the controller as
positioning of the GPS co-ordinate device changes location;
a display associated with the controller, the display
displaying the GPS co-ordinates of the GPS co-ordinate device
on a scrolling grid of global positioning system co-
15 ordinates;
a utility identifier database housed in the memory of
the controller, the utility identifier database containing
numerous symbols, each symbol representing a particular
component of a utility; and
20 an input device to the controller for selecting the
symbol from the utility identifier database which identifies
the component of the utility, the controller placing the
selected symbol on the scrolling grid of GPS co-ordinates and
storing the symbol with GPS co-ordinates in memory for
25 subsequent recall.
2. The apparatus as defined in Claim 1, wherein the scrolling
grid of GPS co-ordinates is superimposed over a geographical
map.
- 30 3. The apparatus as defined in Claim 1, wherein road
infrastructure is displayed on the geographical map.